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SUBJECT: CIVAIR - SEABOARD SCHEDULES AND ALITALIA WETLEASE

REF: ROME 7707

1. CAB STAFF ADVISES THAT AIRLIFT/ALITALIA WETLEASE MOST PROBABLY WILL BE APPROVED FRIDAY (AUGUST 3). WE HOPE PROVIDE YOU IN NEAR FUTURE WITH SUGGESTIONS CONCERNING ONE FURTHER APPROACH TO GOI ON GENERAL ASPECTS ALL-CARGO ISSUE.

2. RE NOTE EMBASSY PLANNED DELIVER TO MFA AUGUST 2 ON SEABOARD'S WINTER SCHEDULE (SECOND PART PARA 7 REFTTEL), WE VERY MUCH WOULD HAVE PREFERRED NOT TO HAVE LANGUAGE CITING MOU PROCEDURES INCLUDED. SITUATION IT DESCRIBES IS NOT QUITE ACCURATE (18TH ALL-CARGO FREQUENCY WOULD GO INTO EFFECT ONLY IF-AS RESULT CONSULTATIONS-US DID NOT AGREE THAT A REDUCTION WAS APPROPRIATE; CAPACITY TECHNICALLY ONLY FROZEN DURING "FOLLOWING CORRESPONDING SEASON" (AND IF NO ALTERNATIVE LEVEL MUTUALLY AGREED), NOT IMMEDIATELY FOLLOWING (I.E. SUMMER 1974) SEASON). ALSO, FOR TACTICAL

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REASONS WE BELIEVE IT DESIRABLE PLAY SCHEDULE FILINGS AS

ROUTINELY AS POSSIBLE WITHOUT MAKING REFERENCE TO THE VARIOUS ASPECTS OF MOU PROCEDURES.

3. WE TRIED CALL EMBASSY THURSDAY MORNING (WASHINGTON TIME) IN HOPES CONVEYING PRECEDING PRIOR DELIVERY NOTE, BUT

DID NOT GET THROUGH. IF NOTE ALREADY DELIVERED, AND UNLESS EMBASSY BELIEVES IT WOULD BE QUITE INAPPROPRIATE, WE HOPE IT WILL BE ABLE RETRIEVE SPECIAL NOTE ON SEABOARD FROM GOI AND EITHER SUBSTITUTE FOR IT ANOTHER NOTE WHICH MERELY MAKES SPECIFIC REFERENCE TO THE SPECIAL FEATURE OF SEABOARD SCHEDULE AS ATTACHED TO JULY 31 NOTE, OR, IN YOUR DISCRETION, NOT EVEN SUBMIT SUBSTITUTE NOTE IF JULY 31 FILING (INCLUDING ATTACHED SCHEDULES) CLEARLY COVERS SEABOARD INCREASE. ROGERS

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